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PANCREATIC CELLS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b), §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith, except that (1) a copy of any U.S. patent application identified herein or any patent, publication or other information listed herein cited or submitted in a prior application relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120 and identified below, is not submitted herewith, and (2) a copy of any U.S. patent or published patent application identified herein is not submitted herewith, if this application was filed or entered the U.S. national stage on or after June 30, 2003 (or if applicable, this international application entered the U.S. national stage on or after June 30, 2003).

**CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY
(NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE DOCUMENTS ONLY)**

All of the documents identified on the appended PTO/SB/08 form are in the English language and the relevancy thereof will be self-evident. Notably, some of the documents that are identified in N.P.D. European Search Report dated November 16, 2007, with respect to European application EP 04 73 7673, are in the "X" category (particularly relevant if taken alone). The Examiner is invited to review the basis for the relevancy for the documents listed in the European Search Report. .

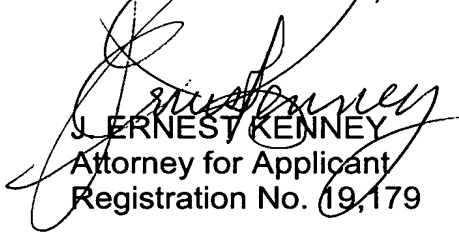
The documents not listed in the European Search Report are discussed on pages 1, 2 and 3 of the specification of this application, from which the relevancy of the documents will be evident, with the exception of the Crass-Méneur article in Diabetes, Volume 50, July 2001, pages 1571-1579.

STATEMENT OF TIMELINESS

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits received by Applicant in the above-identified application.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

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